



Why Should your Family Come To Lekotek

Giving your children the opportunity to play helps them grow and enjoy a higher quality of life. Lekotek is about play. In the busy lives led by families today, play may not seem like a priority. But research has shown that children need to play in order to learn important developmental skills, as well as develop a healthy sense of self-esteem. Play even helps children cope with pain, illness, and the stresses of everyday life. What better gift could parents give to their child!

Lekotek is fun for the whole family!

Lekotek is one of the few services for children with special needs which welcomes the whole family. Our goal is to help families find ways to enjoy relaxing and playful activities together.

Your child can choose a bag of playthings to bring home each month.

Finding toys that a child will enjoy, learn from, and use successfully can be difficult and expensive for any family. When a child in the family has a disability, choosing and purchasing the “right” play materials can be especially challenging. At Lekotek, your family will be able to borrow specially selected toys each month to use at home until your next visit. With the price of toys these days, Lekotek’s toy lending library is a real bargain.

Lekotek Leaders show you how to use adapted toys and other assistive technology with your child who has disabilities.

Our Lekotek sessions are facilitated by a certified Lekotek Leader who has a bachelor’s degree in Special Education, a Therapeutic discipline or a related field. The sessions include toys that are specially adapted to help ensure more successful play experiences. Plus, your child can begin learning how to use a computer - all through play. You will be able to see the many possibilities for independence that assistive technology can offer your child - a great way for IFSP and IEP meetings.

Lekotek Leaders can refer your family to other community, state, and national resources.

Your family may need information about special equipment, community programs, new treatment approaches, family support networks, and other resources which will assist you in making decisions regarding services for your children. Our Lekotek Leaders can help you sort through the many available resources to find the specific information you need.

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